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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.36, the undersigned, Heather M. Barnes, Esq., and all attorneys associated with the law firm of Brouse McDowell, hereby request permission to withdraw as attorneys herein.

Three former Brouse McDowell attorneys, Roger D. Emerson, Daniel A. Thomson, and Timothy D. Bennett, formed their own law firm Emerson, Thomson & Bennett. Subsequently, the client terminated its relationship with Brouse McDowell and requested its files be transferred to Emerson, Thomson & Bennett. Pursuant to the mandatory withdrawal provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(b)(4), Brouse McDowell and the undersigned individually, and on behalf of the attorneys at Brouse McDowell, request that the attorneys listed under customer number 26781 be removed as attorneys of record.

I have delivered to Applicant's new counsel the file for which I was responsible and information they have given to me. Thereby, I have effectively empowered them to carry on prosecution of the patent. Therefore, I believe I have complied with all the obligations placed upon me by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to allow such withdrawal and believe I am entitled to the application requested.

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Dear Andy and Bob:

I am leaving Brouse McDowell and, along with my partners Dan Thomson and Tim Bennett, am forming the law firm of Emerson, Thomson & Bennett. Both Brouse McDowell and Emerson, Thomson & Bennett want to ensure there is no disadvantage to you or your legal matters because of my move. Either firm is available to handle your intellectual property matters for which I have been responsible - currently and in the future. The decision about how your legal matters are handled, whether they stay with Brouse McDowell, go with me to Emerson, Thomson & Bennett, or are directed to another attorney or law firm, is entirely yours.

Would you please take a minute to complete the enclosed form and fax it back to me at 330-434-8888 and to Brouse McDowell at 330-253-8601? If you wish, you can email it to me at roger.emerson@emersonthomson.com. Your early response will help us continue to take good care of your matters? If you have any questions about this matter or the status of your legal matters please contact me at 330-434-9999 or Lisa Del Grosso (Brouse McDowell's attorney) at 330-535-5711.

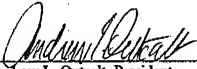
Sincerely,

Roger D. Emerson, Esq.

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I direct that all our files, both the physical and electronic files, be transferred to Roger D. Emerson at Emerson, Thomson & Bennett, 777 West Market Street, Akron, Ohio 44303 or made available for pick up by Roger Emerson. I understand and acknowledge that Brouse McDowell will assume no further professional responsibility for these matters after the date hereof. I further understand and acknowledge that I am responsible for payment of all fees and cost incurred by Brouse McDowell.

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